

# MCDOT NEWS

News from the Montgomery County Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Services

## **Glenwood Road Concrete Curb Installation**

## Project to Begin Soon, Driveway Apron and Lead walk Repair Program to be Offered to Homeowners

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This newsletter is to inform you of the upcoming roadside concrete curb installation along Glenwood Road, between Grant Street and Old Georgetown Road. This curb installation project will enhance drainage, define the road edge and alleviate any erosion to the shoulders and improve drainage on Glenwood Road from Old Georgetown Road.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Department of Transportation (DOT), Division of Highway Services (DHS) is responsible for maintaining over 5,108 lane-miles of streets in Montgomery County. Many of those streets are in neighborhoods such as yours, and include concrete sidewalks and/or curbs. The DOT conducts routine inspections of roads including adjacent sidewalks and curbs in an effort to maintain its transportation infrastructure. As a result of such inspections, DOT programs replacement of defective sections of sidewalk and/or curb to ensure structural integrity, proper drainage and to address possible tripping hazards. During its inspection DOT noticed the need for concrete curbing along Glenwood Road to abate erosion and improve drainage.

#### PROJECT WORK PLAN

Generally, the work will proceed as follows:

- 1. Conduct field surveys to stake out the specific line that the newly installed curbing will follow. The line where curbs will be installed will be marked with bright pink spray paint.
- 2. Install new curbs along Glenwood Road. This work activity will necessarily impact items encroaching within the County Right-of-Way (R.O.W.) such as stones, flagstone, cobble stone, and brick pavers. If you have any of these items located within the County R.O.W.,

DOT suggests that you remove anything of value and store away from work site. If you do not have the capability to move them, DOT will be happy to move them for you. If we remove them, you must inform the onsite inspector of your want or need to keep these items. If you do not inform the inspector, all items will be removed and discarded at no expense to you.

- 3. All existing driveway aprons will be replaced in concrete. If you do not wish to have a concrete driveway apron placed, the curb and gutter will be depressed to allow you access to your existing driveway. When the curb has been installed, all driveways and walkways will uniformly meet the back of the curbing.
- **4.** Restore disturbed areas with soil, grass seed and straw mulch. **SCHEDULE**

This project is expected to start on or about May 21, 2012, and will take approximately 2 to 4 weeks to complete, weather permitting. All construction work will be scheduled between the hours of 7 am and 6 pm, Monday through Friday.

#### IMPACTS

Continuous traffic will be maintained at all times utilizing alternate one-way traffic patterns, when necessary. However, minor traffic delays may be experienced as our flaggers manually direct traffic safely through the work zone.

This project may necessitate temporary lane closures and temporary parking restrictions.

Signs will be posted in advance identifying such restrictions. Access to homes will be available at all times, however minor delays may be experienced as workers reposition machinery or materials.

This type of comprehensive neighborhood system preservation project is generally characterized by some noise and low levels of dust. However, DOT will do its best to keep the site in good housekeeping order.

We apologize in advance for any unavoidable inconvenience this project may cause and appreciate your cooperation. We are confident that residents of Glenwood Road will welcome the results of this program.

#### ADDITIONAL PROJECT NOTES

# **Driveway aprons and Lead walks:**

The curb installation work will be performed by a private contractor under contract to the Department of Transportation. The driveway apron is defined as that portion of the driveway that is within the public right-of-way, generally from the curb to the back edge of the sidewalk or to the property line. The lead walk is the sidewalk that leads from the edge of the road to your property line and usually connects to the sidewalk that leads to your front door. All improvements beyond the County R.O.W. such as your driveway and walkway are considered to be private property. If you want any of these items replaced, you may contract separately and directly with our contractor to arrange for this work

#### CURB INSTALLATION PROCESS



Traffic Control will be set up



Forms are set



New concrete is poured into forms



Concrete is smoothed and finished



Completed (sidewalk) installation

### **IMPORTANT!** Lawn Sprinkler Systems and Invisible Dog Fences

If your home has either a buried lawn sprinkler system or invisible-type dog fence installed, please make sure that the system DOES NOT extend into the county right-of-way. If it does, please mark the locations of buried pipe or wire so that our equipment can attempt to avoid it. However, such systems are NOT permitted by the County Code to be located in the right-of-way and neither the County nor its contractors are responsible for any damage to ANY systems located there. If you do not know the locations, look in your phone book under UTILITIES, UNDERGROUND CABLE, PIPE AND WIRE LOCATING SERVICE.

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# NOTICE OF GLENWOOD ROAD CONCRETE CURB INSTALLATION

#### SAFETY NOTICE

Please remember that while repair work is proceeding, construction personnel and construction equipment will be busy moving around throughout the neighborhood. Additionally, some materials may be stored in the area. Please drive gently and use caution when walking or driving through the construction zone for the safety of all involved in the work. Also, please be advised that children may be attracted to the noise and the machinery itself, so please keep all children under close supervision at all times, even after work is completed for the day. Also, please follow the direction of flaggers and temporary signs and traffic control devices. We appreciate your patience and cooperation while we make these much needed improvements to the infrastructure.

#### IMPORTANT MCDOT CONTACTS

The concrete repair work is managed by DHS personnel. Should you wish to contact us concerning the repairing of sidewalks, curbs or driveways in your community please contact:

Project ManagerAdam Derrick240-777-7637Project ContractorD & F Construction301-516-8460Program ManagerJohn Birton240-777-7616

Should your questions be of a more general nature please contact

Customer Service at 240-777-6000.

DHS Email: <a href="mailto:mcdot.highway@montgomerycountymd.gov">mcdot.highway@montgomerycountymd.gov</a>

#### **Concrete Schedule and Status Webpage:**

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hwytmpl.asp?url=/content/dot/highway/NeighborhoodConcreteProgram/ConcreteSchedule.asp

#### **DHS Website:**

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hwytmpl.asp?url=/content/dot/highway/index.asp

On the map, click on the **Bethesda Service Area** to find other construction projects scheduled for your area.

